

## Inspector's Question 3 to the Council

### Current Progress on Local Plan Preparation in West and East Sussex and the Duty to Co-operate

In order to provide greater clarity regarding the broad planning context within which Adur sits, particularly with regard to housing provision, can the Council provide schedules firstly summarising the progress that other Councils, in what is described as the 'functional housing market', are making in terms of local plan preparation and secondly the progress being made in terms of accommodating objectively assessed housing needs over the wider area.

The Council's Duty to Co-operate Statement (CD07/18) includes a section relating to 'what have been the outcomes' (page 18). However, it is not clear to me whether or not any 'effective policies on strategic cross-boundary matters' (i.e. housing) have as yet been adopted by any of the local planning authorities identified on the map on page 8 of the Statement.

Paragraph 2.17 of the Statement (page 7) refers to the principle of preparing a Local Strategic Statement 3 (which would set out strategic planning and infrastructure priorities for the area) and the commissioning of new work. Could the Council provide a timetable for the completion of this work.

At the bottom of page 7 there is a reference to the current commissioning of a detailed review of the Housing Market Areas and Functional Economic Market Areas. Could the Council provide a timetable for the completion of this work?

Paragraph 3.32 (page 28) states that 'a number of joint measures to help housing delivery in the short to medium term are being explored ... '. Could the Council summarise what those 'joint measures' are and confirm what progress has been made in terms of delivery?

A response within three weeks would be welcome.

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